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Title : Control Apparatus for Internal Combustion Engine

and Control Method for Internal Combustion Engine, Combustion Method for Internal

Combustion Engine, and Direct Injection Engine

## REPLY

## **Mail Stop Amendments**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 24, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

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